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OHIO OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 2, 2002 MEETING

President, Lisa Dodge, called the Controlling Board meeting to order at 1:40 p.m. Serving on the Controlling Board were Senator James Carnes, Representative Charles Calvert, Senator Bill Harris, Representative John Carey, Senator Tom Roberts and Representative Sylvester Patton.

Executive Secretary, Vanessa Niekamp, distributed the minutes of the November 18, 2002, meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Representative Patton, seconded by Senator Harris and approved by the Board members.

Attached is the December 2, 2002, meeting agenda. A motion for blanket approval of all items not held for questions was made by Senator Carnes, seconded by Representative Patton and approved by all Board members.

The following items were discussed and acted upon as stated.

Item 18, COM016-03 was held by Senator Roberts. Senator Roberts asked if the communications equipment is compatible with MARCS. Cheryl Lyman, Chief Fiscal Officer, stated yes. The item was approved without objection.

Item 20, DEV314-03 was deferred by request of the agency.

Item 22, DEV345-03 was held by Representative Carey. Representative Carey asked if the loan is necessary to make this project viable. Tom Johnston, Chief Fiscal Officer, stated yes. Mr. Johnston explained the area around this facility has grown immensely and access to the facility is now limited. The company is now forced to relocate and it is in the best interest of the State to keep the facility in Ohio. The item was approved without objection.

Item 30, JFS119-03 was held by Senator Carnes. Senator Carnes asked if the department has ever contracted with this vendor. Christopher Carlson, Deputy Director, stated no. Senator Carnes asked what the department has learned from previous bad experiences. Mr. Carlson stated that instead of building a system, the department made the decision to look for a package system that is already a proven product. Mr. Carlson stated the chosen system was selected for its use by the State of Washington. Senator Harris asked if the Oracle part of the software is also being used by Washington. Mr. Carlson stated yes. Senator Roberts asked if the Oracle software is compatible with other software currently used by the department. Mr. Carlson stated yes, there are no revisions

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needed to be compatible. Senator Roberts asked when the contract with Oracle expires. Mr. Carlson stated Oracle is on State Term Schedule. The item was approved without objection.

Item 36, PYT203-03 was held by Senator Carnes. Senator Carnes asked what steps have been taken to get out of the red. Carl Williams, Executive Director, stated there have been a lot of pass through charges from Administrative Services that the Board has not had the appropriation to pay, however, with the approval of this request, the bills will be paid. Senator Carnes asked for an explanation of the disciplinary hearings. Mr. Williams stated a Program Director was making sexual advances toward 10 students and a Therapist was falsifying her time. Representative Calvert asked if the Seminar and the previous increase in appropriation are for the same issue. Mr. Williams stated no, the Seminar is separate from the increase. Mr. Williams further explained the increase was for a study. Representative Calvert asked why some of the invoices are over a year old. Mr. Williams stated OBM advised the Board to wait until the end of the fiscal year to see how finances panned out. Representative Calvert asked why it took from June 30th to today to have this request heard before the Board. Mr. Williams stated he did not have a good answer. Senator Roberts asked where the funding came from for the Seminar. Mr. Williams stated it was expected to be absorbed in the current budget. Senator Roberts asked how often the Seminar is conducted. Mr. Williams stated only the one time. Senator Roberts asked if there were any fines associated with the disciplinary hearings. Mr. Williams stated the Board does not have the authority to fine, but current legislation sponsored by Senator Spada would include the ability to recover costs for these types of hearings. Senator Roberts asked if the Board has the ability to raise license fees. Mr. Williams stated yes. Senator Carnes asked if OBM told them what bills to pay and what bills not to pay. Mr. Williams stated no, OBM told them to wait to see how things panned out at the end of the year, before coming to the Controlling Board for an increase of appropriation. Senator Carnes asked if the disciplined people were employees of the state. Mr. Williams stated they were employees of State Universities. The item was approved without objection.

Item 39, DRC361-03 was deferred by request of the agency.

Item 41, DYS327-03 was held by Senator Harris. Senator Harris asked if the department has looked at using technology to eliminate the travel required by employees. Ann Liotta, Legislative Liaison, stated the Partnerships for Success program is a very in depth strategy that looks at community involvement. Part of what makes the program work is the personal interaction with the community. The item was approved without objection.

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With no further business before the board, the meeting was then adjourned at 2:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Niekamp
Controlling Board Executive Secretary

12/02/02 Minutes approved by the Board:
